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The purpose of the Economic Review – Rassegna Economica is to provide the entrepreneurial and institutional world with innovative stimuli concerning the latest and most compelling issues of Mezzogiorno's economy, by involving its major entrepreneurial and institutional stakeholders. The degree of commitment shown in the search of new frontiers for the development of Mezzogiorno and proposals for the removal of its growth constraints, have made the Review one of the points of reference in the discussion on the developmental issues in the South of Italy.

Started in 1931 by Banco di Napoli, it was the first review published by an Italian bank; a pioneering document for a highly specialized economic and financial communication.

The periodical – edited since its very first publication by the Banco's research department – has long focused on the themes of the real economy and credit in the Mezzogiorno but then it widened its scope by analyzing the performance of the production systems, both nationally and internationally.

Since the 1990's, the reviews' editors privileged the study and analysis of actual issues related to the region's development thus empowering its original vocation towards the Mezzogiorno's problems.

Since 1991, in particular, in light of a new context which included the global market and the European Union, the articles with a more traditional content were coupled by very detailed analysis about the innovative finance and the emerging national economies, also thanks to the collaboration with world famous authors (Galbraith, Buchanan, Klein, Becker, Tobin).

From 2011, the review's editors announced a competition for young Italian and foreign graduates aiming at the publication of essays which analyze economic and non economic aspects in both the Mezzogiorno and the Mediterranean area with the intent to nurture the intellectual talents in the economic field and to promote the continuity of scientific contributions from the academic world.

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CALL FOR PAPERS

RASSEGNA ECONOMICA PRIZE

2015

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1. The **RASSEGNA ECONOMICA** (RE) magazine, established by Banco di Napoli in 1931 and published by Associazione Studi e Ricerche per il Mezzogiorno (SRM), announces a competition for the publication of **essays** concerning the **Mezzogiorno and Maritime economy**.

The aim of this initiative is:

- to renew the commitment of the RE by bringing out the best scientific promises in the country concerning themes such as Mezzogiorno's and Maritime Economy, with the purpose of promoting the continuation of studies and therefore deepening these research topics;
- to allow the publication of studies from brilliant young researchers which could, in this way, target a wider audience of specialists.

2. The papers shall focus on one of the following strands of research:

- the constraints to the development and the endogenous potential of the economy and society of the Mezzogiorno in both the national and international competitive context (papers shall be written in Italian or English);
- the competitive features and the evolutionary dynamics of the Maritime Economy in the Mezzogiorno and in the rest of Italy (papers shall be written in Italian or English)

Papers are invited to address either the above mentioned issues autonomously with full analysis freedom, or they can refer to the entire Italian territory and the Mezzogiorno or to single southern regions.

3. The invitation is only available to young researchers aged up to 35 years who have graduated in the economics fields which are specified in the Regulation. The aforementioned Regulation details the papers' evaluation criteria which also takes into account the researcher's qualifications besides the content of the paper presented.

4. The prize consists of a monetary gross disbursement of EUR 5,000 for the winner for each of the two lines of research. However, all the papers shortlisted according to the parameters mentioned in the Regulations will be published.

5. In order to join the call, the candidate should send an application form **before April 10th 2015** (the deadline is binding for the subsequent evaluation of the paper) by email to rassegna@sr-m.it with the subject

"Participation Call 2015 > 'chosen strand of research'". The following documents shall be attached to the e-mail:

- a) "Application form 2015 Call for paper" downloadable at this link [Rassegna Economica Prize 2015](#) (the excel file contains personal, and academic information and other information related to the competition; all parts must be completed);
- b) an abstract (in Word format) maximum of 30 lines (3,500/4,000 characters), which explains in a clear and exhaustive way: **the research strand**, the title of the paper, **the goal(s) and the method(s) used in the study**.
- c) CV and/or scientific CV;
- d) a self-certification regarding personal details and the academic data provided, and a declaration in which the candidate states that the essay has never been published and it will never be submitted or published in any other scientific journal unless RE refuses to accept it.

6. RE will examine the abstract received according to an evaluation process which is explained in the Regulations. By **April 17th 2015**, RE will communicate the result of the evaluation process and those candidates whose abstracts have been selected will be asked to elaborate their paper.

7. RE will consider the papers, selected according to the above in point 6, and exclusively received by email – in .doc or .pdf format – by **September 11th 2015**, 12,00, at its editors office. All essays shall be autonomous and complete in their analysis and shall not exceed 30 typewritten pages (30 lines of 60 characters each), tables, graphs and appendix should be a maximum of 10 pages. The essays can be written in Italian or/and English (in accordance with point 2 above) and shall be accompanied by an abstract of 15 lines written in English.

8. The papers received will be evaluated by the Rassegna Economica's Scientific Committee composed by members of SRM. The announcement of the winners and of the papers shortlisted for the publication will be made by **October 2nd, 2015**.

9. Before the publication, the winning authors and the shortlisted authors might receive some editorial or stylistic notes. The authors, taking into account the notes received, shall elaborate their papers **before October 9th 2015** according to the editorial standards outlined in the Regulation document.

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Regulations

PARTICIPANTS' PROFILE

Young Economics graduates (bachelor/master degree), are invited to participate in the 2015 Economic Review Prize, entrants must be under the age of 35 at the date of the call's publication.

In particular, as for the Italian universities, only the papers of graduates in the following subjects will be accepted:

- [LM-16] Finance
- [LM-49] Planning and management of tourist systems
- [LM-52] International relations
- [LM-56] Economic sciences
- [LM-62] Political sciences
- [LM-63] Sciences of public administration
- [LM-76] Economics for environment and culture
- [LM-77] Economic and business sciences
- [LM-81] Science for development cooperation
- [LM-82] Statistical sciences
- [LM-83] Actuarial and financial statistical sciences
- [LM-88] Sociology and social research
- [LM-90] European studies

If the paper is signed by more than one researcher, all of them must possess the above mentioned requirements otherwise they will be excluded from the prize.

PAPER'S ISSUES

The papers shall focus on one of the following two strands of research:

- the constraints to the development and the endogenous potential of the economy and society of the Mezzogiorno in both the national and international competitive context (papers shall be written in Italian or English);
- the competitive features and the evolutionary dynamics of the Maritime Economy in the Mezzogiorno and the rest of Italy (papers shall be written in Italian or English).

The papers can either address the above mentioned issues autonomously and with full analysis freedom or they can refer to the whole Italian territory and in particular to Mezzogiorno or to single southern regions.

THE ABSTRACTS' EVALUATION

The evaluation of the abstracts received according to what is defined in point 5 of the Call for papers document, will be carried out by SRM's staff (Head office and Research department) according to a set of criteria which will take into account the qualifications and the abstracts' content. Each criterion has a different scale of values aimed at giving greater significance to some variables rather than others, in particular the originality and the objectives of the paper will have greater importance.

The evaluation of the qualifications is the following:

- Graduation mark 110 magna cum laude: 1 point
- Post-graduate degree in economics: 2 points
- Attendance of a PhD: 2 points
- Achievement of a PhD: 3 points

Accordingly, the qualifications possessed by the researchers, allow a maximum attribution of 6 points (for an hypothetical graduate magna cum laude with a post-graduation degree and a PhD).

If the paper is signed by many authors the qualifications' evaluation will take into account the highest score among its researchers.

Evaluation of the abstract content:

The abstracts evaluation will take into particular account the originality and innovativeness of the theme, the rigorous methodology and the bibliographical references as well as the specific targets to be achieved. Additional points will be awarded if particularly interesting issues are to be addressed in the paper. The set of criteria with their meaning and the attributable points are shown below.

Originality and innovativeness of the theme	SCORE
What new and significant issues are addressed? What are the new contributions to the themes indicated in the invitation?	From 1 to 5

Rigorous methodology and bibliographical reference	SCORE
Does the abstract refer to literature intended to develop the themes discussed? Has the paper been planned with a solid theoretical and/or conceptual foundation? Have the hypothesis been built correctly and sufficiently clearly expressed? Is the analysis methodology used in the paper appropriate to the objectives?	From 1 to 3

Objectives and expected results	SCORE
Are the objectives declared and the expected results consistent with the strand of research? Are they able to promote further investigation or new lines of research?	From 1 to 3
Themes of specific interest: strand of research about Mezzogiorno	SCORE
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analysis of the constraints to the development of economy in the south of Italy. • The role of the "high tech" in the competitive context either in the south or in the entire country. • Feature and dynamics of social exclusion phenomena 	
Themes of specific interest: strand of research Maritime	SCORE
	3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issues related to green shipping and to green logistics. • The dry bulk and liquid bulk sector. • Special economic zones 	

The content evaluation of the paper, accordingly, allows a maximum of 14 points (if a paper is attributed the maximum score for each criterion considered and it deals with one of the themes specified above).

THE PAPERS' EVALUATION

The papers which arrive to ER according to what is stated in point 7 will take into particular account the originality and innovativeness of the theme, the consistency of the paper with the research strands, a rigorous methodology and the bibliographical references as well as the quality of drafting.

The set of criteria with their meaning and the attributable points are shown below.

Originality and innovativeness	SCORE
What are the new, significant issues addressed? What are the new contribution to the themes indicated in the invitation?	From 1 to 5
Relevance and consistency of the issue treated with research strands	SCORE
	From 1 to 4
To what extent does the paper contribute to the debate about economy and is it consistent with the research strands? Are the results shown in a clear way and are they analyzed accurately? Are the empirical implication and/or the implications for the deriving future research properly explained?	

Rigorous methodology and bibliographical reference Does the article present a review of the literature intended to develop the themes of the article? Does it pay critical attention to the historical development of the concepts, and focus on different points of view even if different or opposite to those of the author. Is it updated to the most recent researches? Has the paper been developed on the base of a solid theoretical and/or conceptual foundation? Have the hypothesis been built correctly and are sufficiently clearly expressed? Is the method of analysis been defined and applied properly?

SCORE

From 1 to 3

Style quality

SCORE

From 1 to 2

Is the text easy to read, comprehensible and correct? Are the divisions into paragraphs clear? Does it allow the reader to quickly identify the principal contents and their organization?

The content evaluation of the paper, accordingly, allows a maximum of 14 points (if a paper is attributed the maximum score for each criterion considered).

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WINNERS

The participants with the highest score in the two strands of research will be the two winners of the money prize (point 4 Call). In case of a joint award the prize will be equally divided among the winners. However, the first three papers shortlisted in each of the two research categories will be considered suitable for publication in the Economic Review (point 8 of the Call).

EDITORIAL STANDARDS

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